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Photo by Spc. John Martinez

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# JAG reminds employees to plan ethical holiday celebrations

## SCOUT REPORTS

We are approaching that time of the year when Fort Huachuca Soldiers and employees plan and prepare their holiday season office celebrations. It is a time when groups of employees plan celebrations which may raise ethical conduct issues. There are some absolute rules, but in many cases, the issues involve the application of "judgement."

### Government time, appropriated funds

Can employees participate in a holiday celebration on government time?

Yes, but only to a point.

Employees may participate in a "pot luck" in the office or a more formal luncheon event at a restaurant. However, ethical issues normally arise during the preparation of the celebration.

The key to resolving these issues is judgment.

Committees planning a celebration should limit their planning to a few short telephone calls to party shops, with visits and purchases made from the party shops after duty hours. It is permissible for the committee to make phone calls and to receive faxes from restaurants. However, preparing the holiday celebration should not become a significant part of an employee's duties.

Appropriate funds may be used to purchase holiday decorations for an office entryway, but the expenditure must be items that can be used for future years and the expense must be kept to a minimum. Employees may not use government funds to purchase greeting cards. Use good judgment.

## Fundraising

Employees may want to participate in fundraising to pare down the cost of their celebrations. The general rule is no fundraising. However, there are exceptions to this rule. But, first let's discuss some of the prohibited types of fundraising.

It is wrong to solicit from outside sources such as car dealerships, department stores, or restaurants for donations, to include door prizes, for the function.

Therefore, if employees of an organization want to raise money, they could run a bake sale or utilize another event such as a silent auction, in public use areas of the organization's building to raise money for buying door prizes or reducing the cost of a dinner at a restaurant.

However, the directorate/com-

mander needs to approve the plan after consultation with the ethics counselor.

The ethics counselor will advise the following:

Keep the fundraising event low key. The fundraiser should not be the sole occupation of the employee's week leading up to the event or during the day of the event. Do not use official government e-mail to announce the event. Do not announce the event to all addresses on the Fort Huachuca global address list.

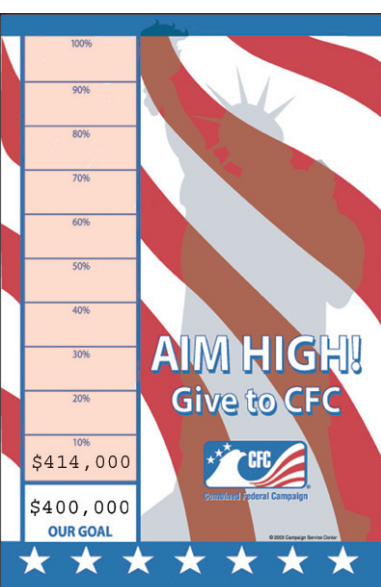
Use minimal government time. No duty time to bake or purchase cakes, cookies, etc. However, some minimal time can be used to plan the event.

Employees actually conducting the bake sale should do so primarily

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## Scout On The Street

## What are you doing to cope with the chilly Fort Huachuca weather?



PVT. MICHAEL S. BARNHART  
COMPANY E, 309TH MILITARY INTELLIGENCE BATTALION

*Dress in layers of clothing.*



LINDA BROWN

*I'm enjoying it, and it's nice to have some cool days.*



PVT. MATTHEW JOHNSON  
COMPANY E, 305TH MILITARY INTELLIGENCE BATTALION

*Dress warmly.*



SARINA SMITH

*I'm enjoying the weather. I'm from Panama and it's hot over there.*

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# Conserve water *Design your dream landscape*

## SCOUT REPORTS

Water efficient landscapes can be used anywhere - from small residential yards to large commercial sites. They can also be the most water wasting. Water use in landscaping can account for up to 50 percent of a typical family's water bill. Here are some tips to help you have a beautiful landscape yet be water efficient:

The Water Wise program promotes a landscape technique called Xeriscape™. Xeriscape is a term a group of professionals, headed by the Denver Water Department, created in 1981. It is derived from two words: xeros or dry, and scape as in landscape. All put together, it means "low water landscaping". But remember! There isn't any "zero" in xeriscape!

Xeriscape can be colorful, exciting and water efficient. There are seven general principles laid out by the Denver Water Department team. They are:

1. Design: Plan your landscape to include what you want and don't want. The more thought you and your family put into the landscape BEFORE it is installed, will mean less work for you later. Make a "Wish List". Ask yourselves questions, for example: Will you be entertaining? What size group? What views do you want hidden? Enhanced? Where would the kids like to play? Will there be a garden? Do you want to attract wildlife for watching? What do you want from your landscape in the future? What can you afford? In designing a xeriscape, think zones.

Zones: It is helpful to divide your yard up into water use zones.

"Mini Oasis." This is the area immediately around your house. It can be the patio area, the area outside your front door, a courtyard. By planting this area with moderate water using plants, you will help to cool your house. You can use the water that falls off your house and hard surfaces to supplement irrigation. Pay special attention to the west exposure of your house. This is the side that can get very hot in the summer, and could benefit from the shade of a tree. The south side will not get direct sun in the summer, but will be warmer due to reflected heat. This would be the place to have low plants, groundcover, or if you need it, a small patch of turf. In the winter, the south side of your house will benefit from the sun

as it's angle is lower in the sky, so you don't want to plant a tree here as it will shade your home in the winter. The east side of a house is a wonderful place to plant just about anything as plants appreciate morning sun and respite from the hot afternoon southwestern sun. North facing exposures are predominately shady, and don't need plants, but if that part of your house is visible, you will want to use more shade tolerant plants.

"Transition Zone." This is the area just outside of your mini oasis. It is an area for plants that need some irrigation. You can use mounding and contouring techniques to direct rainwater to the planted areas as well as micro-basins to catch run-off for use by trees and shrubs. Choose low water using plants for this area.

"Desert or Natural Zone." Here, you can either let the natural vegetation provide habitat for wildlife, or you can enhance the natural surroundings by using drought adapted native plants. The emphasis here is to have plants that can survive on rainfall alone. You will also want to use the rainwater harvesting techniques mentioned for the transition zone.

Don't forget that you will need to give your plants in each zone special attention for the first 1-3 years while they get established, even if they are native, low water use plants.

2. Appropriate Turf Areas. Turf is the highest water use landscape component. It is also the most labor intensive. If you have moved to the Southwest from a more temperate climate where grass grew easily and needed little attention, recognize that turf in the southwest takes more care. Ask yourself if you need turf, or how much and where you will use it. Choose a turf grass carefully, as there are warm season grasses like a native Buffalo grass that only grows to a 4" height and needs little fertilizer, or a cool season grass like tall fescue that can be pushed to stay green over the summer by giving it extra water and fertilizer. You may also wish to remove your turf.

3. Plant Selection. Choosing the right plant for the right place makes your landscape maintenance job either pruning and watering all weekend, or swaying in a hammock sipping a cool drink and watching the butterflies. Group similar water use plants together for easy water-

ing. Know the mature dimensions of the plant before you plant it, what conditions it likes to grow in, if it drops litter and if that will be a problem where you want to put it. Don't forget to look up before you plant. There just may be a power line below the mature height of that pine you wanted! Read plant tags, talk to local nurseries, your Cooperative Extension, go for walks in the natural areas around your house and research landscape books to learn about your plant choices.

4. Soil Improvements. Desert soils have little organic material in them and are basic in pH. Desert plants have adapted to grow in these poor soils. Adding organic material to gardens and turf areas is appropriate, but not for many low water use landscape plants- they just don't need it!

5. Mulch, Mulch, Mulch! This is where you can put all that organic material you wanted to put in the soil! Three inches on top of the soil in your landscaped area will help keep the moisture in the ground by greatly reducing the evaporation rate, and helping to suppress weeds. The mulch material can be inorganic (rock) or organic. Shredded bark makes a good mulch as it tends to knit itself together and be less likely to float or blow away. The organic material will decompose and water will take some of the nutrients to the plant's roots. In many places rock is appropriate, and neutral colors like beige and light browns are cool and non-reflective.

Weeds: Do not use black plastic as a weed control. Plastic runs rainwater off of your property, traps moisture underneath it causing plant roots to grow near or on top of the surface and oxygen cannot get to the soil. It also may mean more erosion from water in your neighborhood drainage channels or excess water in the sewers. For good weed control, prepare your area by killing all unwanted plants putting down a 2"- 3" depth of rock or an organic mulch, and using a pre-emergent. For about the first three years more weed control will be needed than in the future, as the weed seeds had been disturbed and grew! Weed fabric is another option for weed control. It is a porous cloth that is placed on the soil with rock or mulch on top of it. The porous nature allows water and oxygen to penetrate. This material is available in

garden stores. (For more information on weed control, see "turf removal").

6. Irrigation. One of the greatest wastes of water is watering too much, too often. Putting just the right amount of water in the right place for your plants is both healthy for them and easier on you and your water bill. There are several ways to do this:

"Catch Rain, Dear" Water harvesting is the easiest, best and cheapest way to water plants. Rainwater doesn't have the mineral content of groundwater and won't burn your plants. However rain comes sporadically and can be used to supplement irrigation for oasis and transition zone plants but can be the sole water source for desert zone plants.

Catching rain is simple. Build some gentle packed earth ridges (6" or higher) perpendicular to the flow of water (or on contour) either on the uphill or downhill side of a plant at the dripline. If you are preparing an unplanted area, dig to have a trench and a berm. Digging trenches near mature plants can cut into their root systems, causing injury.

Areas that have poor drainage can benefit from digging a deep hole (2 or so feet deep) preferably past the poor draining material (clays, limestone, etc). Fill the hole with gravel and top dress it as is the rest of the landscape. A tree or shrub can be planted on the edge of this lower depression to use the water held in the area.

Dry washes can be created to move water through a landscape and control overflow. Sinuous washes with irregular sized rocks help to slow the flow of water as it moves through the area. Keep in mind that your goal is to keep water on your property.

Storage of rainwater can be as small as a bucket or as big as a tank. Barrels, horse troughs, empty swimming pools and water gardens all can store water for use in the dry seasons. Covering the surfaces and using mosquito control products will help keep the water clean and safe for plants.

Drip: Drip irrigation is a system of plastic tubing that delivers water to a plant landscape. It is designed to slowly deliver water to the plants root system allowing the water to soak in rather than run off or be evaporated by wind or sun. The specific delivery of drip makes it an efficient way to

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water landscapes- if managed properly.

Good systems will have different valves or stations for the different water needs of plant. Trees, shrubs, bedding plants and turf all had different water needs. Trees roots are found in the top 3 feet of soil. Each time a tree is watered, the water should soak from the top of the soil to a depth of 3 feet. Shrub roots are about 2 feet deep, and bedding plants and turf roots are about 1 foot deep. So you don't over or underwater your plants- remember it's as easy as 1-2-3.

How deep water penetrates can easily be determined by using a soil probe. This is a thin metal rod (3/8" or so) about 2'-3' long. Irrigation turn-key's can be modified into soil probes by cutting of the "u" at the end. Insert the probe into the ground after about an hour after watering. It will stop when it reaches dry soil. If a rock is hit, try another place. Look at the end of the rod and check for moisture. When the rod won't penetrate the soil more than 4", then it is time to irrigate deeply again.

Deliver water at the drip line of a plant. This is the area directly underneath the outer tip of the branches. This is where roots can best absorb water. When it rains, the foliage of the plant keeps water from landing underneath it, but drips water off the ends of the branches for the tips of the roots to absorb. Expand your irrigation emitters as your plant grows.

Once you become familiar with your system and how your plants use water, then you can determine watering schedules for the four seasons and program them into the controller.

Enormous waste occurs in neglected irrigation systems. Broken lines, misplaced emitters, poorly designed systems all add up. When an irrigation

system is installed, a plan should be made and kept with house papers for referral- for you and future owners. Use the plan to check emitter placement, output, and general maintenance at least once a year.

**Micro-Basin Flooding:** With this method of irrigation, berms are used to contain water delivered at a faster rate than drip. A single bubbler is put near the base of the plant or series of plants, and the entire root system is flooded. Berms need to be expanded as the plant's dripline expands. When bubblers are designed into a system, they should always be the method of irrigation as the plant roots grow to absorb water delivered in that way. Bubblers should be placed far enough away from the base of the plant as to not promote root rot from contact with wet soil. Use the soil probe method for determining how long to run your system for optimum water use. Keep in mind that water has weight. As weight is put on soil, and the soil becomes compacted, less pore space is available for water, and the soil may not be able to absorb as much water as it used to. This is a disadvantage to basin-flooding as a watering method.

**Soaker Hoses:** These hoses are black porous hoses generally made out of recycled rubber. When screwed on to a regular hose, the soakers "weep" and deliver water at a slow rate. Soaker hoses can be used to temporarily water desert zone plants if the season has been particularly dry, or be put in flower beds. Cover them with mulch and they can be left unnoticed.

**Hand- Held Hoses/Manual Sprinklers:** Outdoor faucets can flow as much as 5 gallons a minute or 300 gallons per hour. Often sprinklers and hoses deliver water at a much faster rate than the soil can absorb. Excess water often runs-off and doesn't

have a chance to soak into the soil, potentially wasting a lot of water.

7. Maintenance. A stitch in time saves nine. Knowing how your landscape functions and keeping up on repairs, catching weeds before they set seed and adjustments to the water systems and schedules will save you hours of labor. Xeriscapes are designed to require minimal care. However, you might find yourself puttering around the yard, just because it is so easy and beautiful.

### Fun Facts

**Sierra Vista Sub-Basin:** This is the watershed that is bordered by the Huachuca and Mule mountains in Arizona. It includes the towns of Bisbee, Palominas, Hereford, Sierra Vista, Huachuca City, and Whetstone. Presently the population is using more groundwater than is being naturally replenished and the aquifer is in "overdraft". The residents of the Sierra Vista Sub- Basin depend solely on groundwater as their water source.

**Annual Precipitation:** The annual precipitation rate for the Sierra Vista Sub Basin is about 15 inches of water per year.

**Average Low Temperatures:** The plant hardiness recommended for this sub-basin is 15 degrees Fahrenheit.

**Evaporation Rate:** 5 feet per year from a body of water in the Sierra Vista Sub Basin can be lost to evaporation. This means that more water evaporates than the sub basin receives from natural precipitation. This is why mulch on top of the ground over plant's root zone is so important.

**Evapotranspiration Rate:** This is the evaporation rate and the moisture lost from a plant (transpiration) combined.

## Army announces two installations to support Basic Officer Leader Course

### TRADOC NEWS SERVICE

The Army will transition from the pilot phase of the Basic Officer Leader Course to full implementation in June 2006, senior officials said recently.

BOLC is part of a comprehensive initiative to transform the Officer Education System, which includes officers in the Active and Reserve Components, along with selected special branch officers.

Officers will attend BOLC as their initial-entry training.

The Army, in coordination with Training and Doctrine Command, made a decision to conduct BOLC II, the initial-entry field leadership phase, at Fort Benning, Ga., and Fort Sill, Okla., reducing BOLC II sites from four to two. Fort Bliss, Texas, and Fort Knox, Ky., will stand-down BOLC II preparation to fully support Army initiatives in the transformation to the future force.

The change from four to two sites was made due to the base realignment and closure decision to move the Armor School and the Air Defense School to Fort Benning and Fort Sill, respectively.

OES is being transformed so it better supports the goals of increased readiness, greater relevance of the force and a more joint and expeditionary Army, officials said.

BOLC has three phases and is designed to ensure a tough, standardized, small-unit leadership experience that flows progressively from each phase.

BOLC's Phase I is the pre-commissioning phase. BOLC I includes training conducted at the U.S. Military Academy, Reserve Officer Training Corps and officer candidate schools. USMA, ROTC and the OCSs are revising their curricula to train basic Soldier and leader tasks performed by all lieutenants regardless of the commissioning source.

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After lieutenants are commissioned, they

go to BOLC II, the initial-entry field-leadership phase. BOLC II is a rigorous seven-week, branch-immaterial course in small-unit leadership and tactics designed to challenge officers physically and mentally. Fort Benning and Fort Sill will host this phase.

Immediately following BOLC II, officers will go to BOLC III, the branch technical phase, to learn the specialized skills, doctrine, tactics and techniques of their assigned branch. Since BOLC III is branch-specific, these courses are taught at the appropriate TRADOC schoolhouse or training center and range from six to 15 weeks.

The old style of training at the schools/centers is being revamped to make greater use of experimental training to enhance the quality and effectiveness of the branch-specific course.

Upon graduating from BOLC III, officers will proceed to their first unit or attend more assignment-oriented training.

For more information about the BOLC program, contact Lt. Col. Daniel Dillon at (757) 788-4703, [Daniel.dillon@us.army.mil](mailto:Daniel.dillon@us.army.mil).



# Dignity Memorial Vietnam Wall Experience

## School Day

*Soldiers guided students through the various stations set up for them to visit, and used a computer to look up names on the wall; they also shared their military experiences with the children.*

*Students had the opportunity to do rubbings at the wall as well.*

Courtesy photos



**Soldiers from HHC, United States Army Intelligence Center were on hand to speak with the children.**

*Left, Sgt. 1st Class Wayne Noble helps students find names. Above, left to right, are Sgt. 1st Class Trent Bennett, Staff Sgt. Philip Thomas, Sgt. 1st Class Wayne Noble, Staff Sgt. Collen Krueree, and Staff Sgt. Shenequa Curtis .*



# Holiday decorating rules and safety tips

BY SPC. MARCUS BUTLER  
SCOUT STAFF

(Editor's note: this article was originally published December 9, 2004.)

With thoughts of family fun and laughter filling the air, everyone is gearing up for the holidays.

With no worries and no thoughts of tragedy, the holiday scene is set to be perfect. Perfect until the wishful thinking and optimism are shattered by an unforeseen accident that spoils all that the holiday season embodies.

"No one wants anything to happen to themselves or their loved ones, but if they are not conscious of safety precautions that can be put into place to prevent accidents, anyone can be victimized," said Bruce V. Heran, safety manager.

When it comes to house decorating and rules, there are some safety tips that can be followed to ensure that safety is priority one.

1. When putting up Christmas lights at home for the holidays, make

sure that all electrical cords are in good condition. Never run cords under the carpet, and avoid overloading sockets with many plugs; this can start an electrical fire.

2. Don't obstruct exits with decorations. Keep entryway and exits clear. Promptly remove ice or snow if it collects on porches, steps or walks.

3. When visiting other people's homes, remember that their homes may not be child-proofed. When arriving at a party or friend's house, look around to make sure that there are no obvious hazards to your child.

4. When going out to holiday parties without the children, be sure that your baby sitter knows where and how to reach you. All emergency numbers should be clearly posted so that the babysitter can use them if needed.

5. To avoid food poisoning, always thaw the turkey in the refrigerator and not on the countertop. Also, remember that food should never be

left at room temperature for more than 2 hours.

6. Children love to get toys for Christmas! It is a good idea to follow the age ranges on packages, as toys that are too advanced could be hazardous for younger children. Make sure that there are no parts of the toy that could be swallowed or can choke a child.

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Bruce V. Heran

7. Children enjoy stuffed toys like Teddy bears and cloth dolls. When buying these items make sure that they have sturdy seams and that

the eyes, noses and other parts are very firmly attached.

Loose pieces can easily be swallowed by a child.

8. Make sure that your young child does not have access to the Christmas tree. Ornaments are often made of metal plastic or foam, and can be dangerous as they can block the child's air passage, and can also cut a child's skin.

9. Holiday plants are quite attractive to children but potentially very toxic. Make sure that plants such as Mistletoe, Holly and Rhododendron are out of the reach of children at all times.

"If you can child and fire proof your home then mostly everything else will fall into place and be taken care of," Heran said.

Other steps can be followed as well to keep the holiday season a safe one especially when dealing with fire.

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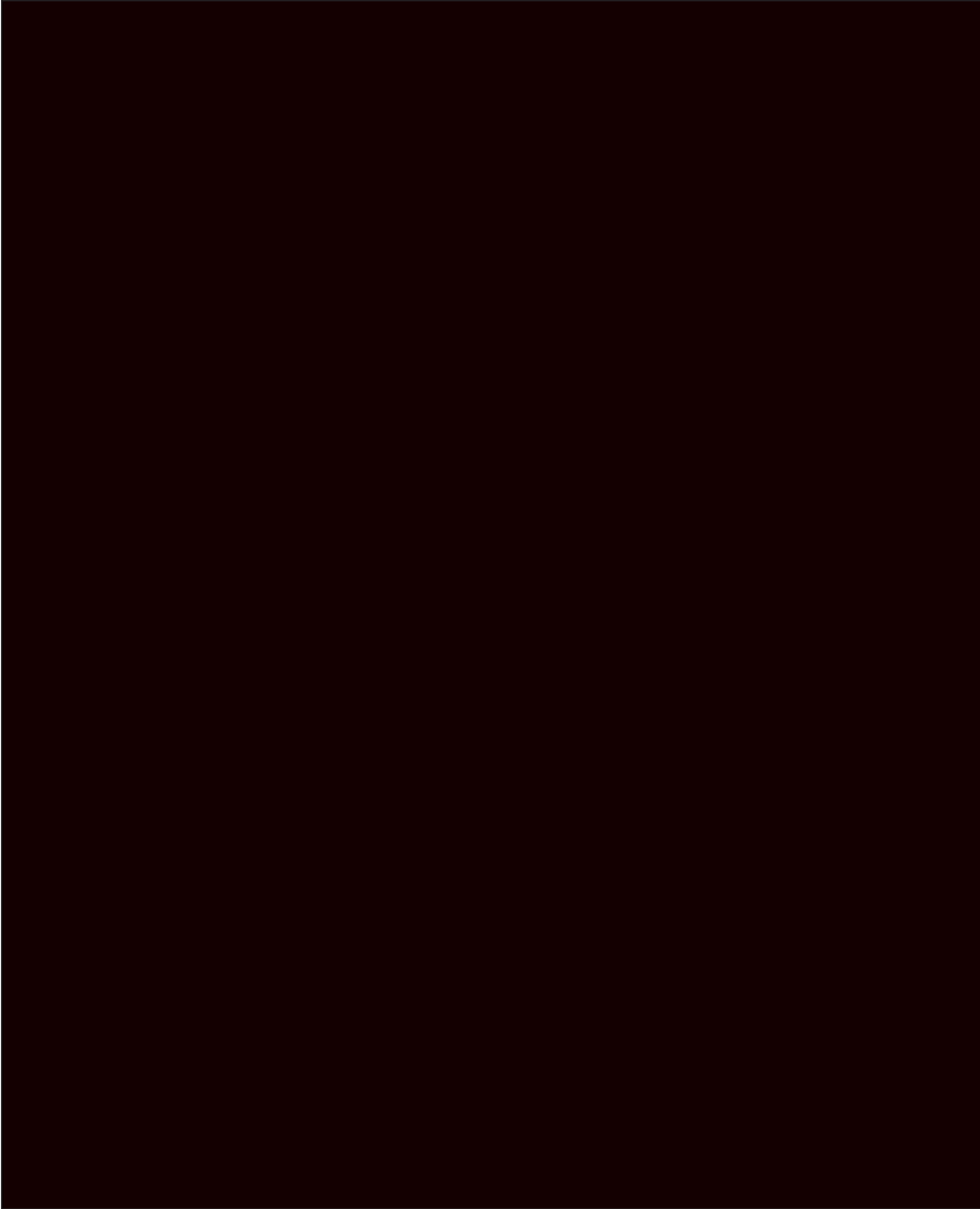






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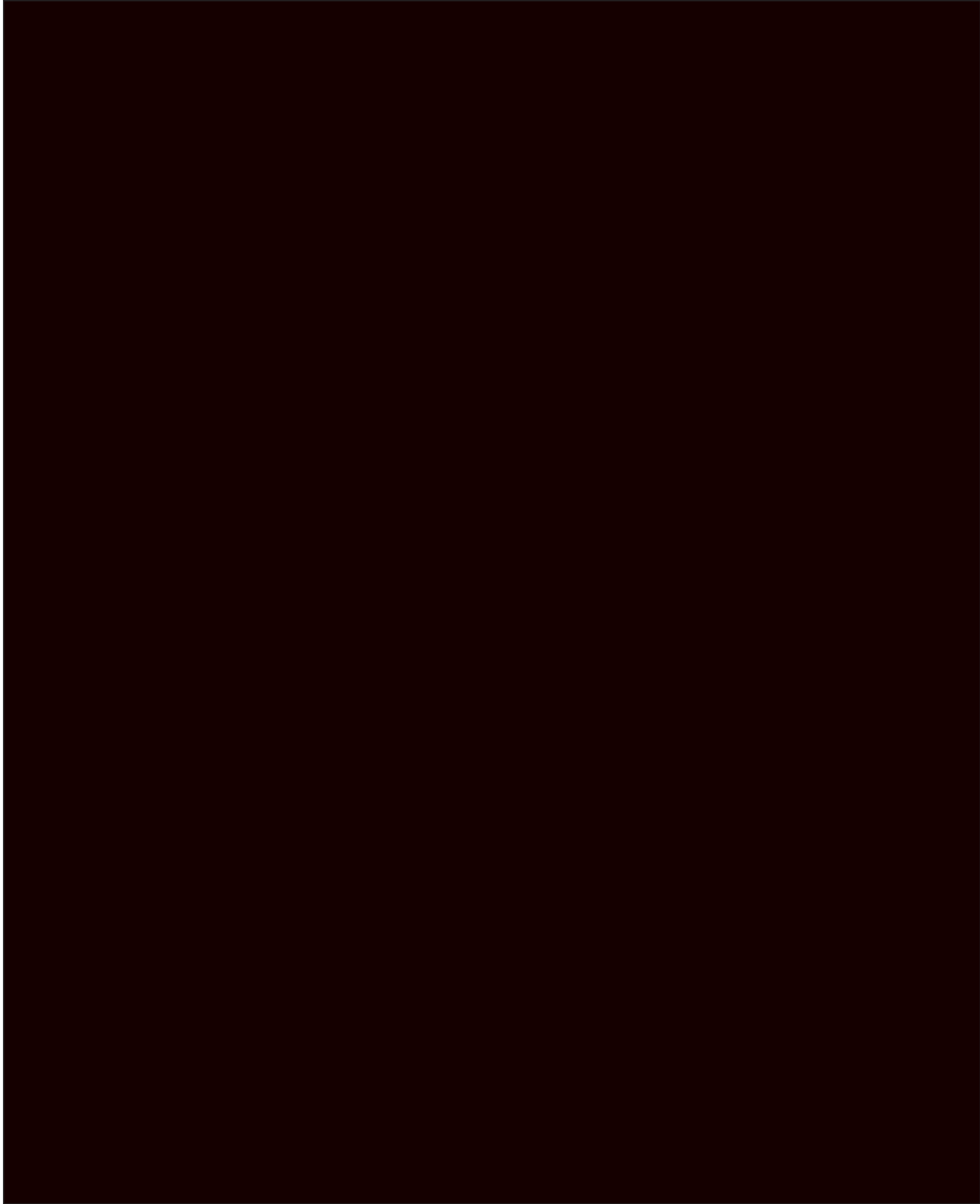
## Myer Elementary School Turkey Trot

*Students from Gen. Myer Elementary School take part in the annual 1-mile Turkey Trot event on the school's running track. The event is part of the President's Challenge and students qualify by meeting the standard for age and gender. Students train for the event during lunch and Physical Education class. The event was also used to increase interest in running among children.*

# AIM HIGH!

***Combined Federal Campaign ended exceeding post goal in contributions by over \$14,000 with a total of \$414,000. A special thanks to all who gave. Contributions are still coming in.***







# USAIC Command Sgt. Maj. Reflects on Career before Retiring

***Haubrich to retire after 30 years as a Soldier; looks forward to next phase of his life***

BY BRANDY RUIZ  
SCOUT STAFF

After 30 years in the Army and nearly five years on Fort Huachuca, it is time for Command Sgt. Maj. Lawrence Haubrich to say goodbye. He will officially do that Friday morning at 10 a.m., during his change of responsibility ceremony with Command Sgt. Maj. Franklin Saunders. "It's going to be a tearjerker," he remarked about the upcoming ceremony. "It is painful, to think of things you've done and things you've seen and you always hope you've done right. You always hope you haven't failed."

Haubrich began his tenure here on post in January 2001 when he became the United States Army Intelligence Center and Fort Huachuca command sergeant major. When asked about the progress this place has made during his time here, he replied, "It has come a long way."

USAIC and Fort Huachuca are not Haubrich's main focus, though. "I'm the Soldiers' sergeant major, I work for them. One of my favorite things to do is go down to the chow hall and talk with the Soldiers," he said. "While talking to them, I think 'I have kids their age. I kind of know where they're coming from.'"

Face-to-face interaction is important to Haubrich, who believes that being around Soldiers is more effective than leading from behind a desk. "Email and computers are great management tools, but they will never replace leadership." This philosophy, along with an open-door policy and a lack of politics are some of the other things which have made Haubrich's career a successful one. "I'm not a bashful person," he said. "And politics are good, but they are only good when it's politics for the soldier."

Looking back over his career, Haubrich credits "the Soldiers I've served with and been around with" for his success as a soldier. "And of course, my fam-

ily," he adds with a grin. "I'm a firm believer that being a soldier is a hard job, but the hardest job is that of the family. It's tough on our loved ones. It's a rough load to haul."

As for his retirement, he hopes to spend some time at home with the family and some time engaged in his favorite hobby – hunting. After that, he plans to look for another job to fill his time and his passion for people. For right now, though, he is focused on his years as a soldier. "You never forget where you came from. I never would've believed that at the pinnacle of my career, I would be the Military Intelligence Corps sergeant major," he reflects.

Now its time for the reins to change hands, and Haubrich has confidence that Saunders will be successful in this new position. "Any sergeant major in my corps would've been able to come in here and do what had to be done." He has confidence in his corps and confidence in his colleagues, both of which will allow him to enjoy the next phase in his life.

## Wallace, new TRADOC commander *An armor officer who wanted to fly*

TRADOC NEWS SERVICE

For Gen. William Wallace, who recently assumed command of the Army's Training and Doctrine Command, coming to Fort Knox to officiate the retirement ceremony of former Chief of Armor Maj. Gen. Terry Tucker was a homecoming of sorts.

Wallace, who assumed command of TRADOC Oct. 13, graduated from Louisville's Eastern High School in 1965, subsequently attending the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, N.Y.

Wallace's 36-year Army career has brought him back to Fort Knox several times – for the armor officer basic and advanced courses, and also for an assignment as a major at the former Directorate of Combat Development, Studies Division, in 1978.

Since then, Wallace said, he's seen Fort Knox improve in many ways.

"The most dramatic change has been in the quality of training," he said. "Boudinot Hall and Gaffey Hall – the buildings haven't changed a lot, but what's inside of them has."

Married with two children, Wallace met his wife during ninth grade at Eastern, he said. His wife's family still lives in the Louisville area.

"I'm a University of Louisville fan and I'm a University of Kentucky fan, which I know is hard to be," he said. "I sort of root for Louisville during the football season and Kentucky during the basketball season. I go with

whoever has a chance to win.

"But when Louisville and Kentucky play every year in December, I always root for Louisville," he added. "Not because I'm for Louisville all that much, but because my mother-in-law is such a dyed-in-the-wool Kentucky fan that I like to get under her skin."

Wallace began his career as an armor officer for what some might think is a surprising motive: he wanted to fly helicopters.

"Back in '69, when I was commissioned, there was no aviation branch," he said. "It seemed to me that armor and aviation sort of went together.

"Then I subsequently flunked out of flight school, went to Vietnam, and became an armor adviser in an infantry unit. So I guess I've done OK for a flight-school dropout."

Wallace said he's excited about his new role as commander of TRADOC.

"I'm kind of apprehensive about the job," he said. "I keep looking at myself in the mirror every morning, wondering who it is with the four stars on his shoulders looking back. I hope I never outgrow that feeling."

There will be challenges, to be sure, he said, including working with the command's budget and dealing with personnel issues, plus dealing with the ongoing war on terrorism.

"I think regardless of where you

are in TRADOC, whether you're at Fort Knox or Fort Benning or Fort Sill," he said, "you've got a major role to play in that war. The fact of the matter is that victory starts in TRADOC. Victory starts at Fort Knox and Fort Benning and Fort Sill; it's where the foundation of our Army is built.

"We have an obligation to make that foundation as firm and solid as we can for the fight that we're currently in, but we also have to be concerned about the victory that we're going to fight and win five and 10 and 12 years from now.

"That's what the nation expects from us, and that's what we owe to the nation," he said.

*Then I subsequently flunked out of flight school, went to Vietnam, and became an armor adviser in an infantry unit. So I guess I've done OK for a flight-school dropout.*

Gen. William Wallace

For the armor branch, Wallace said the future is bright.

"There's a lot of hand-wringing, a lot of rock-kicking going on," he said. "But there's a place for heavy

forces, there's a place for medium-weight forces, and there's a place for light forces. We've got to strike the right balance.

"The fact of the matter is, the spirit of armor, the spirit of cavalry, is going to be with us forever. It's a legacy that we've got to carry forward – there's a heritage there, regardless of what our formations look like."

Wallace will work at TRADOC headquarters, located at Fort Monroe, Va.



Courtesy photo

**Gen. William S. Wallace, Training and Doctrine Command commanding general, speaks at the retirement ceremony for Maj. Gen. Terry Tucker, Armor Center and Fort Knox CG. Besides saying farewell to Tucker, Wallace, who is originally from the Louisville, Ky., area, joked with local people attending the ceremony about the University of Kentucky/University of Louisville rivalry.**

# DFAS offers training for contractors

*comprehensive instruction  
with hands on training*

## SCOUT REPORTS

The Defense Finance and Accounting Service offers a free 8-hour vendor training class that provides comprehensive instruction, hands on training and a detailed referenced guide that can be taken back to a work site.

The Department of Defense is implementing Wide Area WorkFlow throughout DoD to include DoD contractors and vendors. Results to date show that, where WAWF is used, it virtually eliminates late payments meaning money gets to a bank faster.

WAWF is an online solution that allows vendors to electronically submit invoices and receiving reports, and the Government to inspect, accept, receive and transmit data to payment systems electronically via the Internet.

### With WAWF, companies can ...

- Submit invoices and receiving reports real-time, directly via the Internet, or by using File Transfer Protocol or Direct Electronic Data Interchange.

- Be paid on time by Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS) due to reduction of lost or misplaced documents, and quicker document routing.

- Have total visibility of document status.

- Receive system-generated e-mails advising you of action taken by the government inspection and acceptance officials or if an invoice is rejected.

### Upcoming opportunities:

Oklahoma City, OK - December 6, 7 or 8  
Austin, TX - December 6, 7 or 8  
San Bernardino, CA - December 6, 7 or 8  
Denver, CO - December 13, 14 or 15  
Alexandria, VA - December 13, 14 or 15  
Atlanta, GA - December 13, 14 or 15  
Norfolk, VA - December 20 or 21  
Jacksonville, FL - December 20 or 21  
Beachwood, OH - December 20 or 21  
San Antonio, TX - December 20 or 21

Where less than seven participants are registered two weeks prior to the class, it will be combined with other classes and dates and officials request that interested individuals register early.

You can also find additional learning opportunities and helpful Electronic Commerce information at the following web sites:

WAWF Web-Based Training Site - Go here to learn how to use WAWF via self-paced, online training. This training is an excellent place to begin learning about WAWF at [www.wawftraining.com](http://www.wawftraining.com).

WAWF Training Practice Web Site - Go here to practice using the WAWF application  
<https://wawftraining.eb.mil>.

WAWF Production Web Site - Go here to register and begin using WAWF. The WAWF customer service phone number is also listed on this web site at <https://wawf.eb.mil/>

Electronic Document Access Web Site - Go here to register and use EDA to view your documents electronically at <https://eda.ogden.disa.mil>.

myInvoice -Previously known as the Vendor Pay Inquiry System to view your payment status.  
<http://www.dfas.mil/money/vendor>

To register, you may sign-up on-line at: [www.dod.mil/dfas/commmpay/vptraining.htm](http://www.dod.mil/dfas/commmpay/vptraining.htm) or you may contact Ms. Lucretia Gatewood by phone at (614) 693-7674 or by e-mail at [lucretia.gatewood@dfas.mil](mailto:lucretia.gatewood@dfas.mil).

## 2005/2006 Commander's Cup Golf standings

As of 23 November 2005

TEAM	MATCHES	POINTS	JITC #2	6	38	2/84th MI BN	7	26
18th M.P. DET	6	50	MEDDAC	5	32	JITC #3	6	20
JITC #1	7	49	USAIC&FH	4	31	A 305th MI BN	7	15
NCOA	6	40	HHC 111th BDE	7	29	C 86th SIG BN	7	14
NETCOM	6	39	B 305th MI	6	28	E 305th MI	6	7



# Fort Huachuca Holiday Services

Catholic

Regular masses			
Daily Mass:	11:30 a.m.	Main Chapel	
Saturday:	5 p.m.	Main Chapel	
Sunday:	9:30 a.m.	Main Chapel	
Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Kino Chapel	

Special services

8 Dec	11:30 a.m.	Immaculate Conception Mass	Main Chapel
8 Dec	5 p.m.	Immaculate Conception Mass	Main Chapel
13 Dec	7 p.m.	Advent Communal Penance Service	Main Chapel
24 Dec	5 p.m.	Children’s Mass	Main Chapel
24 Dec	Midnight	Midnight Mass	Main Chapel
25 Dec	9:30 a.m.	Christmas Day Mass	Main Chapel
25 Dec	11:30 a.m.	Christmas Day Mass	Kino Chapel

Protestant

Regular services			
Sunday:	8 a.m.	Episcopal – Main Post Chapel	
	9:20 a.m.	Gospel – Kino Chapel	
	9:30 a.m.	Prosser Village Chapel	
	11 a.m.	Contemporary Service – Cochise Theater	
	11 a.m.	Main Chapel	

Special services

18 Dec	9:20 a.m.	Christmas Cantata	Kino Chapel
24 Dec	7 p.m.	Christmas Eve Candlelight Service	Main Chapel
24 Dec	10 p.m.	Episcopal Holy Eucharist	Kino Chapel
25 Dec	8 a.m.	Christmas Day Service - Episcopal	Main Chapel
31 Dec	10 p.m.	Watch Night Service	Kino Chapel

6 Dec	6 p.m.	Holiday Tree Lighting	Main Chapel
		Lighting of the Menorah	
		36th Army Band and Santa Claus visit	

Range Closures

Today – AA, AF, AG, AL, AM, AN, AP, AR, AU, T1, T1A, T2  
Friday – AA, AF, AL, AP, AR, AU, AW, T1, T1A, T2 and (all of the East Range)  
Saturday – AL, AP, AR, AU, T1, T1A, T2  
Sunday– AL, AP, AR, AU  
Monday –AH, AI, AK, AL, AP, AR, AU, T1, T1A, T2  
Tuesday – AB, AC, AH, AI, AK, AL, AP, AR, AUAB, AC, AD, AL, AR, AU, T1, T1A, T2  
Wednesday – AA, AC, AD, AH, AI, AK, AL, AP, AR, AU, T1, T1A, T2  
Contact Range Control at 533-7095. Closures are subject to change.

Volunteers needed

Volunteer for the 2006 Fort Huachuca Tax Center and help assist Soldiers, military retirees, and their families with their income tax filing. No experience necessary, training provided, flexible hours.  
For more information, see Capt. Suji M. Rodgers in the Legal Assistance Office or call (520) 533-2009.

Thunder Mountain Aquatic Club is looking for Certified Lifeguards.

Anyone interested in swimming and/or diving is invited to come check us out. Practices are held at Barnes Field House Pool. For more

information contact Karen Robins at (520) 234-5419. Practices are held at Barnes Field House Pool.  
For more information contact Karen Robins at (520) 234-5419 or look the club up online at www.tmac-lightning.org

Army Education Center hours.

Counselors/Testing Division, Including eARMYU  
Monday -Thursday 7:30a.m. – 4:30 p.m.  
Friday 7:30 a.m. - noon  
Walk-in Only  
Testing Division must be by appointment only  
Open Computer Area  
Monday - Thursday 7:30 a.m. – 9:30 p.m.  
Friday 7:30 a.m. - noon  
Saturday 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.  
Persons not in uniform must have a government related ID. Dependents under 16 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

College Students must either have ID or verification they are a student with a college. All computer users will read rules and abide by them. Those who do not abide by rules will lose their Internet privileges for 30 days. If you are going to print multiple pages, please bring your own paper. College students with classes at the Education Center do not need to bring paper.

## Chaplain’s Corner

Protestant Sunday Services

8 a.m.	Episcopal	Main Post
9:20 a.m.	Gospel	Kino Chapel
9:30 a.m.	Protestant	Prosser Village
11 a.m.	Cross Roads	Cochise Theater
11 a.m.	Collective	Main Post
3:30 p.m.	ALPHA	Prosser Village

Roman Catholic Worship

Mon.-Fri.	11:30 a.m.	Main Post
Saturday	4 p.m.	Main Post
Confession		
Saturday	5 p.m.	Main Post
Mass		
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Main Post
Mass		
Sunday	11:30 a.m.	Kino Chapel
Mass		

Jewish Worship

Friday	7 p.m.	Main Post
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Catholic

<u>Main Post Chapel</u>			
CCD	Sunday	10:45 a.m.	
Adult	Sunday	10:45 a.m.	
Apologetics			
Adoration of the	Friday	3 - 6 p.m.	
Sacrament Blessed			
Korean OCIA	Friday	7 p.m.	
MCCW	1st Friday	9 a.m.	

Protestant

<u>Main Post Chapel</u>			
PWOC	Tuesday	9 a.m.	
Sunday School	Sunday	9:30 a.m.	
<u>Kino Chapel</u>			
Women’s Ministry	1st, 3rd Friday	6 p.m.	
Bible Study Fellowship			
Adult/Youth	Sunday	8 a.m.	
Sunday School			
Youth Church	1st, 2nd, 3rd, 5th Sunday		

Men’s Choir	Tuesday	7 p.m.
Rehearsal		
Women’s Choir	2nd Tuesday	7 p.m.
Rehearsal		
Adult Bible Study	Thursday	6 - 7 p.m.
Youth Bible Study	Thursday	6 - 7 p.m.
Sanctuary Choir	Thursday	7 p.m.
Rehearsal		
Youth Ushers	Saturday	10 a.m.
Youth Choir	3rd Saturday	10:30 a.m.
Youth Emphasis	4th Saturday	
Saturdays		
Drama Team	Saturday	8:30 a.m.
Youth Min. Staff	Saturday	10 a.m.
& Parents Meeting		
Youth Choir	Saturday	10:30 a.m.
Rehearsal		

Murr Community Center

Teens and	Sunday	9:20 a.m.
Pre-teens Study		
Parish Council	1st Sunday after service	
Meetings		

Women’s Ministry	2nd Sunday	
Meetings		
Youth Ministry	3rd Suda	
Meetings		
Adult Usher	4th Sunday after	service
Meetings		
Men’s Ministry	Saturday	8 a.m.
Bible Study		
Women’s Choir	5th Saturday	11 a.m.
Rehearsal		

Muslim Prayer

Friday	11:30 a.m.	Main Post
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Buddhist Weekly Teaching

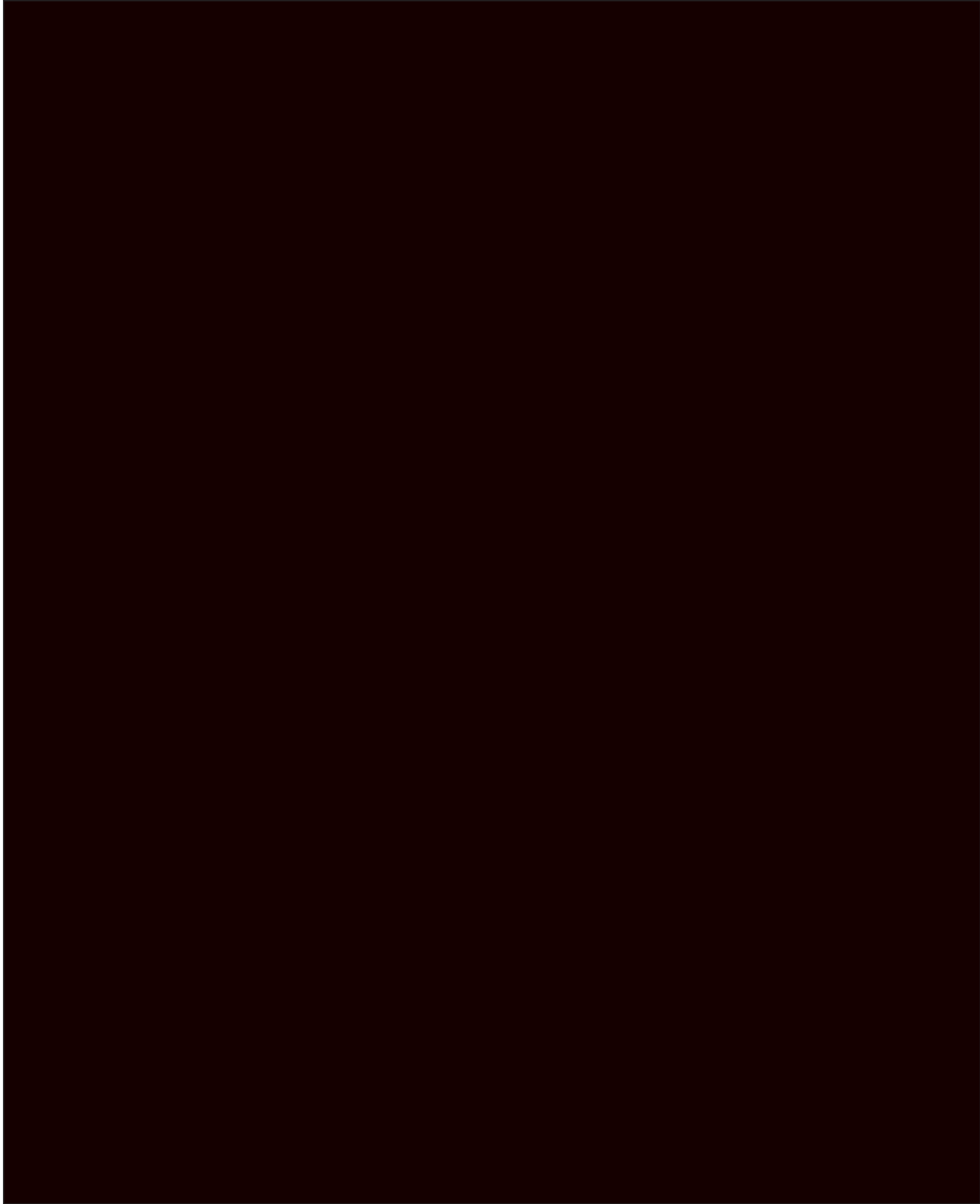
Tuesday	6:30 p.m	Prosser Village
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Orthodox Divine Liturgy

Sunday	10 a.m	Main Post
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Latter Day Saints Service

Sunday	1 p.m.	Prosser Village
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DECORATING, from Page A6

When dealing with a fire place, make sure that the flue is open.

All decorations should be a safe distance away. Hot ashes should be placed in metal containers until they are cold.

Exercise caution when using “fire salts” which create colored flames.

“If you have a fireplace, make sure it is in good condition. Have

the chimney checked or cleaned regularly, use a fireplace screen or doors and don’t leave a fire unattended,” Heran said.

“Know how to operate the flue and make sure it is open before you light the fire,” Heran said.

Do not burn wrapping paper or even evergreen boughs. Flash fire could result from the intense burning and jumping sparks.

“Avoid the use of candles. Or at least, if you use them, make sure they are well away from anything that can burn. Do not let them burn unattended. Put them out before going to bed,” Heran said.

“Check your smoke detector and be sure it operates properly. Check your fire extinguisher and know how to use it. Know how to get emergency help,” Heran said.

Unfortunately, over 8,700 people are injured each year due to falls, cuts and electrical shocks. Also, there are over 400 fires annually that result in 20 deaths, 70 injuries and 15 million in property loss and damage.

“Be safe and keep your love ones safe as well, as the holiday season continues,” said Heran. “Follow the rules and stay safe.”

CELEBRATIONS, from Page A2

ily on their personal time.

The fundraising event should not become a significant part of the employees duties.

Use of government resources requires judgment. It would be permissible to use the government computer to make a few flyers to post on bulletin boards.

Do not solicit from outside sources (such as employees of a support contractor) to contribute to the fundraiser.

Contractor employees, and other non-government workers may purchase items at the bake sale. However, federal employees may not personally solicit sales from non-federal personnel.

**Gift Giving**

We may exchange gifts amongst ourselves during the holiday season. But again, there are limits.

We may not accept a gift from anyone who makes less money than we do as

a federal employee, unless there is a personal relationship that would justify the gift, and there is no superior-subordinate relationship. If a superior-subordinate relationship exists then the highest value of any gift that we can give to a superior or a superior can accept during the holiday season is \$10. Additionally, we may not solicit contributions from other employees to help purchase the gift.

When holding an any-

mous type gift exchange among employees, it is important to establish a reasonable dollar limit for individual gifts. A dollar limit not to exceed \$5 or \$10 is certainly appropriate.

Also, this holiday season, each of us should be sensitive to the fact that not all of us celebrate the holidays in the same way. Unless we know for sure what holidays our colleagues celebrate, we should con-

sider being more generic in our references.

In summary, it is permissible for government employees to plan and participate in events during the holiday season. However, we must comply with the legal restrictions described above.

If you have any questions, contact one of your Fort Huachuca ethics counselors, Tom King at 533-3197 or CPT James McGhee at 533-5768.



# Message from LTG Van Antwerp

Ladies and Gentlemen -- Effective immediately ACUs/BDUs is the official uniform for all IET Soldiers during EXODUS and for movement between BCT and AIT sites following graduation unless mission or threat dictate otherwise. As a nation at war, the "Battle Dress" more appropriately showcases the Warrior

and the Warrior Ethos. To that end I highly encourage the wear of ACU and BDU for all CONUS movements for both IMT Soldiers and cadre. Our Soldiers should stand proud because they are part of something significant and doing something significant with their lives. They are Soldiers with a capital "S". I hope they get sur-

rounded by people in airports and on buses thanking them for their service as they wear the uniform proudly. I'll surely be thanking them wherever I see them. Guidance from attached ALARACT message is in effect.

Thanks for your leadership,  
Van

Commanding General U.S. Army

Accessions Command/Deputy Commanding General Initial Entry Training

## ACU and BDU wear for all Soldiers and cadre during Exodus

### SCOUT REPORTS

The TRADOC JAG clarified the policy for first-class travel aboard commercial aircraft. If a Soldier is in uniform and an airline offers them an upgrade to first class and announces

that fact, the Soldier may accept the upgrade and sit in first class. If a Soldier is traveling on orders and is in uniform, the Soldier is not authorized to travel in first class using frequent travel miles benefits. The

rationale supporting this is to differentiate between a gift to a Soldier for the purpose of public recognition of his service and the appearance of improper use of government funds for first-class travel.



Courtesy photo





Photo by Spc. John Martinez

**HHC 11th Signal Brigade soldiers Master Sgt. Stacey Piccinno, 1st Sgt. Authur Pellerin, and Capt. Andrew Kovanen serve Thanksgiving dinner.**



Photo by Brandy Ruiz

**Above, this pastry display was designed to represent New Orleans and to remember the catastrophe that happened there with Hurricanes Katrina and Rita this past summer.**

Photo by Spc. John Martinez



Photo by Brandy Ruiz

**Maryann Poh, Bill Kuster and Jerry Poh smile for the camera after filling up on the Thanksgiving meal provided at Thunderbird dining facility.**

# Thanksgiving

## Food, food and more food

is all Soldiers, family members and veterans alike saw at Thunderbird Dining Facility Wednesday evening. With 495 pounds of turkey and 129 pounds of ham served, there was enough food prepared to feed 550 people, explained Staff Sgt. William Hughes, a battalion food service sergeant of HHC, 504th Signal Company. The meal also consisted of a salad bar, dessert, drinks and decorations.

Hughes was also responsible for all the decorations around the dining facility. "Some Soldiers volunteered

to make these pastries and decorations," he said. Among some of those decorations were pastries formed and molded to look like the buildings of New Orleans, which was built to honor all the victims of this year's hurricanes. Each table also contained confetti and a Mardi Gras mask to celebrate New Orleans.

According to Ricardo Fernandez of HHC, 504th Signal Battalion, the decorations and the brigade officers are what made a world of difference. "What's nice is that they took the time for the decorations," he said.





Photo by Spc. John Martinez

*The 36th Army band provides entertainment.*



Photo by Brandy Ruiz

*Above Capt. Mathew Lovell and Second Lt. Robert Parker serve food in one of the two serving lines at Thunderbird dining facility Wednesday evening.*



Photo by Spc. John Martinez



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# meal a success

"And (the officers) have come together to serve us, that's really nice."

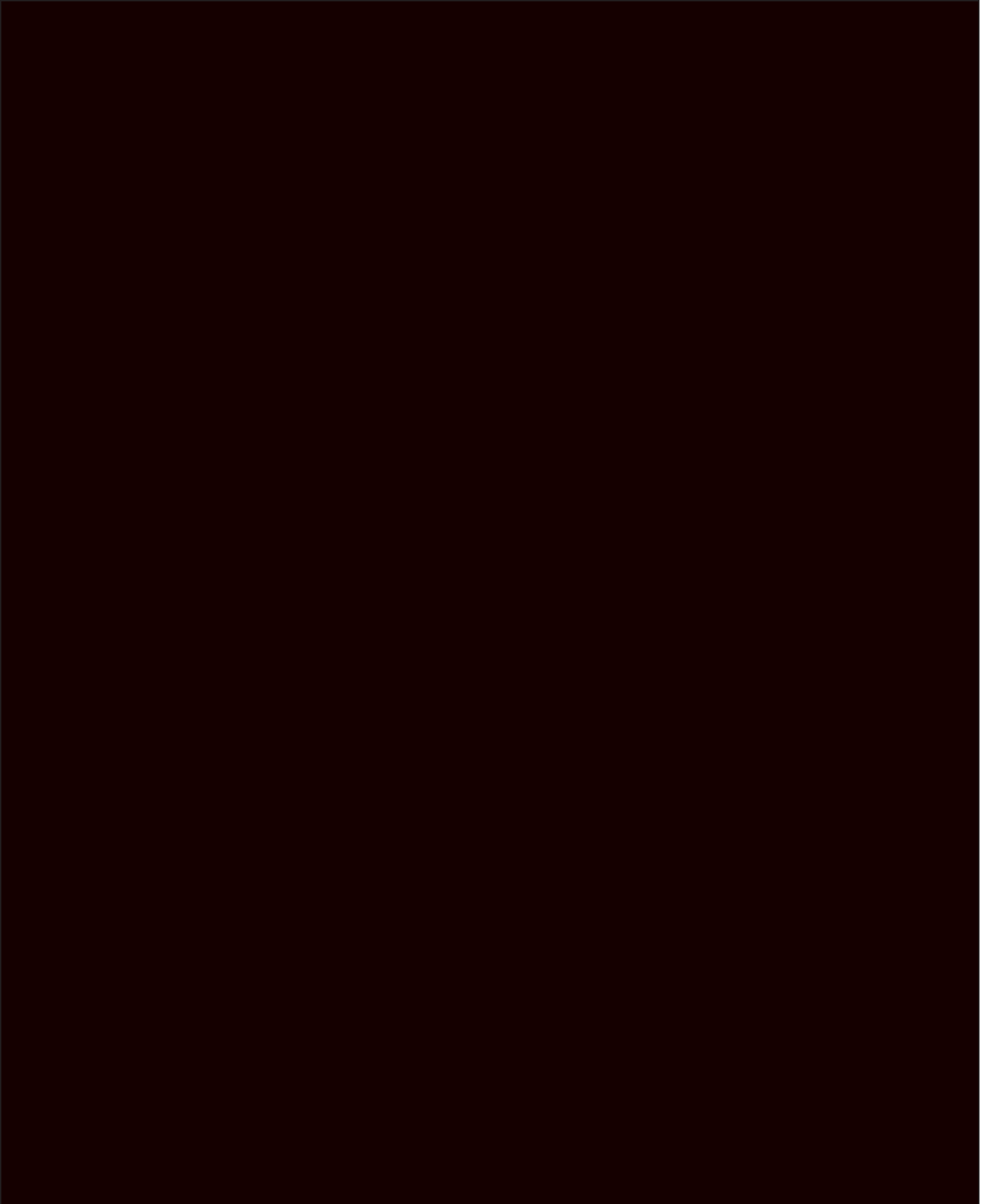
The 36th Army Band provided background music while people filed in to enjoy this Thanksgiving feast. "We're having a great time ... it's just wonderful, fantastic," remarked Maryanne Poh, an out-of-towner who stopped in to enjoy a meal with the troops.

All in all, the evening was a good one. With 500 people served, plenty to be thankful for and no leftovers, this dinner was definitely a success.

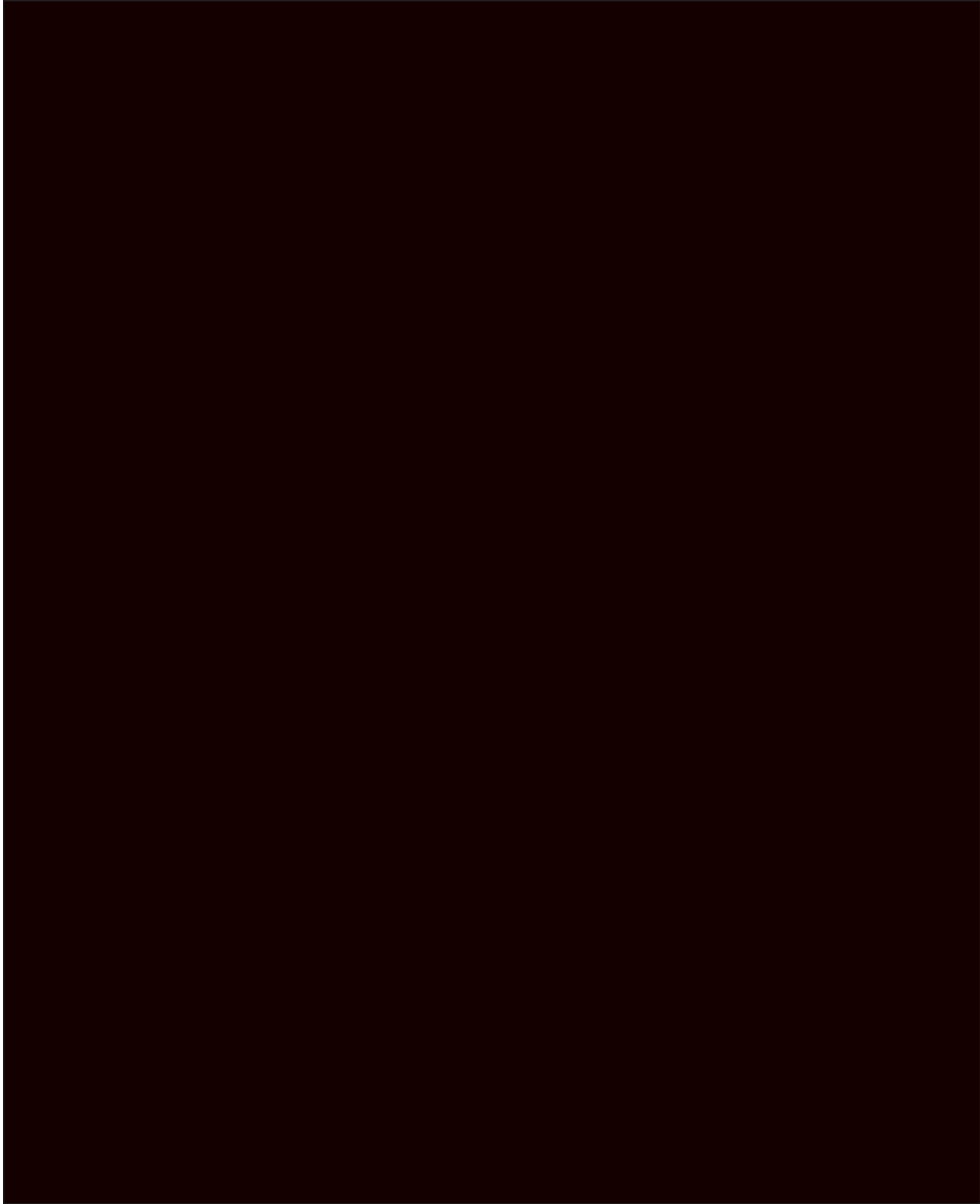


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## Service News



# Ultimate sacrifice paid in support of OIF

**Master Sgt. Brett E. Angus**, 40, of St. Paul, Minn., died Saturday from an improvised explosive device while conducting combat operations against enemy forces in the vicinity of Camp Taqaddum, Iraq. He was assigned to Marine Wing Support Squadron-372, Marine Wing Support Group-37, 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing, I Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Pendleton, Calif. During Operation Iraqi Freedom, his unit was attached to 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing, II Marine Expeditionary Force (Forward).

**Spc. Gregory L. Tull**, 20, of Pocahontas, Iowa, died in the Al Anbar Province, Iraq, on Friday, when an improvised explosive device detonated near his vehicle during combat operations. Tull was assigned to the Army National Guard's 1st Battalion, 194th Field Artillery, Storm Lake, Iowa.

**Pfc. Ryan D. Christensen**, 22, of Spring Lake Heights, N.J., died at the Medical University of Charleston in Charleston, S.C., on Nov. 24, of a non-combat related illness identified in Balad, Iraq, on Nov. 10. Christensen was assigned to the

1st Battalion, 64th Armor Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division, Fort Stewart, Ga.

**Sgt. 1st Class Eric P. Pearrow**, 40, of Peoria, Ill., died in Baghdad, Iraq, on Nov. 24, when his M1A2 Abrams tank accidentally rolled over into a canal. Pearrow was assigned to the 3rd Squadron, 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment, Fort Carson, Colo.

Two Soldiers died in Baghdad, Iraq, on Nov. 24, when an improvised explosive device detonated near their HMMWV causing it to flip into a canal. Both soldiers were assigned to the Army's 170th Military Police Company, 504th Military Police Battalion, 42nd Military Police Brigade, Fort Lewis, Wash.

Killed were:

**Staff Sgt. Steven C. Reynolds**, 32, of Jordan, N.Y.

**Pfc. Marc A. Delgado**, 21, of Lithia, Fla

**Spc. Javier A. Villanueva**, 25, of Temple, Texas, died in Al Asad, Iraq, on Nov. 24, of injuries sustained in Hit, Iraq, on Nov. 23, when an

improvised explosive device detonated near his dismounted patrol during combat operations. Villanueva was assigned to the Army's 2nd Squadron, 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment, Fort Irwin, Calif.

**Sgt. Denis J. Gallardo**, 22, of St. Petersburg, Fla., died in Tal Afar, Iraq, on Nov. 22, from a non-combat related illness. Gallardo was assigned to the Army's 2nd Squadron, 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment, Fort Carson, Colo.

Two Soldiers died in Baghdad, Iraq on Nov. 23, when their unit came under direct fire during combat operations. Both soldiers were assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 502nd Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division, Fort Campbell, Ky.

Killed were:

**Staff Sgt. Aram J. Bass**, 25, of Niagara Falls, N.Y.

**Sgt. William B. Meeuwsen**, 24, of Kingwood, Texas.

The circumstances of the soldiers' deaths are under investigation as a potential friendly-fire



incident.

**Spc. Matthew P. Steyart**, 21, of Mount Shasta, Calif., died in Shah Wali Kot, Afghanistan, on Nov. 22, when an improvised explosive device detonated near his HMMWV during patrol operations. Steyart was assigned to the 1st Battalion, 508th Infantry Regiment, Vicenza, Italy.

**Pfc. John W. Dearing**, 21, of Hazel Park, Mich., died in Habbaniyah, Iraq on Nov. 21, when an improvised explosive device detonated near his HMMWV during combat operations. Dearing was assigned to the Army National Guard's 1st Battalion, 125th Infantry Regiment, Saginaw, Mich.

**Petty Officer 3rd Class Emory J. Turpin**, 23, of Dahlonaga, Ga., died Nov. 20 when he drowned in the Seychelles. Turpin was assigned to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 74 currently deployed to the Seychelles.

**Spc. Michael J. Idanan**, 21, of Chula Vista, Calif., died in Bayji, Iraq on Nov. 19, when an improvised explosive device detonated near his HMMWV during combat operations. Idanan was assigned to the 1st Squadron, 33rd Cavalry, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division, Fort Campbell, Ky.

Four Soldiers died in Bayji, Iraq on Nov. 19, when an improvised explosive device detonated near their HMMWV during combat operations. The soldiers were assigned to the 1st Battalion, 187th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat

Team, 101st Airborne Division, Fort Campbell, Ky.

Killed were:

**1st Lt. Dennis W. Zilinski**, 23, of Freehold, N.J.

**Staff Sgt. Edward Karolasz**, 25, of Powder Springs, N.J.

**Cpl. Jonathan F. Blair**, 21, of Fort Wayne, Ind.

**Spc. Dominic J. Hinton**, 24, of Jacksonville, Texas

**Lance Cpl. Tyler J. Troyer**, 21, of Tangent, Ore., died Nov. 19 from wounds received as a result of small arms fire while conducting combat

operations against enemy forces near Al Karmah, Iraq. He was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 2nd Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Lejeune, N.C.

**Lance Cpl. Miguel Terrazas**, 20, of El Paso, Texas died Nov. 19 from an improvised explosive device while conducting combat operations against enemy forces in the vicinity of Hadithah, Iraq. He was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 1st Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division, I Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Pendleton, Calif. During Operation Iraqi Freedom, his unit was attached to 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force (Forward).



Courtesy photo

# Make reservations for TMAC's New Year's Eve Gala

The Thunder Mountain Activity Centre will hold a gala New Year's Eve party, Dec. 31.

From 5 - 9 p.m., TMAC will present its six-course, gourmet buffet. For \$35 per person, you'll be able to enjoy all-you-can-eat shrimp, roasted beef tenderloin, baked Atlantic salmon, leg of lamb or roasted vegetable ravioli, and all the side dishes and trimmings, including the dessert bar, coffee and iced tea.

After the buffet, dance to a variety of musical entertainment, including R & B, Hip Hop, Latin and variety. There will be free party favors.

Or you can attend the dance, and then, from 12:30 - 2 a.m., enjoy a continental breakfast, featur-

ing sausage, bacon, eggs, hash browns, biscuits and coffee. Tickets for the dance with the breakfast buffet are \$15 per person.

If you'd like to enjoy both the dinner and breakfast buffets and the dance, admission is \$40 for all three.

After the breakfast buffet, the music and party will continue until 4 a.m., with the admission price of \$6 per person.

Call TMAC at 533-7322 to make reservations for the dinner buffet or for more information. Guarantee your reservations by credit card or prepayment by Dec. 26. (No refunds after Dec. 29.)



## Holiday Sale at Arts Center Saturday

MWR Arts Center's Holiday Arts and Crafts Sale will be held 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., Saturday, at Building 52008 on Arizona Street, across from the Commissary.

The event is open to the public. Items such as ceramics, pottery, jewelry, greenware and frames will be marked down 25 percent in price.

You will also have the opportunity to visit the Geronimo Gallery at the Arts Center. The gallery features a wide selection of art and craft items that were created by local artists. During the sale, everything in the gallery will also be marked down 25 percent off the regular price.

This is your chance to start your holiday shopping or purchase the materials for that project you've been planning.

The Arts Center is open noon - 8 p.m., Tuesday - Thursday and 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., Friday and Saturday. The facility offers a wide variety of classes in various media for all ages. The classes are open to everyone.

The MWR Arts Center offers local artisans the opportunity to display and sell their works of art at the Geronimo Gallery. Spaces are available to rent on a monthly basis, and cost depends on the size of the space.

For more information about the sale, classes, call Riki Tarquinio or Ricardo Alonzo at 533-2015.

## Eifler Relays set for Saturday

The Sports and Fitness Branch of MWR will present the Eifler Relays, beginning at 8 a.m., Dec. 3.

Teams will be made up of four runners, running four 1000-yard legs. Entry fee is \$10 per team. There will be prizes for the top three teams.

For more information, call Mick Gue at 533-4723.

## Evening aerobics classes added at BFH

The Sports and Fitness branch of MWR will offer beginning step aerobics, 5-5:45 p.m., Mondays and cardio kickboxing, 5 - 5:45 p.m., Wednesdays, beginning next week.

Space is limited, so participants will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.

Fees are \$20 for each class, per month; \$3 per individual class; and \$1 per individual class for active duty military.

Sign up at the front desk at Barnes Field House, or for more information, call Carrie Bradke at 533-0041.

## Gift Certificates available at TMAC

The Thunder Mountain Activity Centre now has gift certificates available for holiday giving.

Certificates are available for the lunch buffet in the amount of \$7 (the cost of the buffet), and for bingo packets in different amounts.

The lunch buffet is open 11 a.m. - 1 p.m., Tuesday - Friday.

TMAC hosts bingo at 6:45 p.m., Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, and at 12:45 p.m., Sunday.

For more information, call 533-3802.

## Hunters' Banquet set for December 10

The Sportsman's Center will host the annual Hunters' Banquet Dec. 10, with social hour beginning at 6 p.m. and dinner at 7 p.m. Hunter's soup will be provided by the Sportsman's Center and those attending are asked to bring a dish to pass.

Call Carl Jenson at 533-7085 for more information.

## CDC will offer special child care hours

The New Beginnings Child Development Center will be open two Saturdays to provide child care for parents who want to do their holiday shopping without their children. The special hours will be 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., Dec. 10 and 17. The CDC is located in Building 48101, Smith Street.

Pre-registration is required. The cost is \$3 per hour, per child; or \$5 per hour for families with two or more children. Call the Central Registration Office at 533-0738 to sign up.

## Pistol Range closed temporarily

The Sportsman's Center has announced that the pistol range, number 3, will be closed Dec. 16 - 20, during deer hunting season.

For more information, call Carl Jenson, 533-7085.

## Unique holiday gifts available at ITR

It's never too early to do your holiday shopping, and the MWR Information, Tickets and Reservations Office has several unique gift ideas available.

Tickets for upcoming events at the Tucson Convention Center would make a unique gift. ITR has tickets for the following TCC events, including: Dec. 10, the Tucson Ice Cats hockey team vs. Arizona State; Dec. 11, the Trans-Siberian Orchestra; Dec. 12, "Barenaked Ladies;" Dec. 13, Linda Eder; Dec. 19, "Blue Christmas," a holiday tribute to Elvis Presley; Dec. 29, George Lopez; and Jan. 13 and 14, 2006, the Ice Cats vs. St. Louis University. TCC tickets are available to purchase 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. only.

ITR also has the 2006 "Tucson Passport to Savings" books on sale for \$15, and the 2006 Entertainment Book (covering Tucson and Southeastern Arizona) for the discounted price of \$35. These books contain coupons for restaurants, hotels and travel, and money-saving offers from area attractions such as Kartchner Caverns, Old Tucson Studios, Pima Air and Space Museum and many more. They make great stocking stuffers.

Other stocking stuffers available at ITR include "Looney Tunes" character watches, Army insignia watches and "Support our Troops" holiday ornaments.

ITR can also assist you in booking a cruise, which would make an unforgettable holiday gift.

For more information on any of these services, call 533-2404 or drop by the ITR Office, Building 70914, Irwin Street. The facility is open 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., Monday - Friday and 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Saturday.

## Register for Youth basketball program

Registration for the Fort Huachuca Coed Youth Basketball program is now in progress and will continue through Dec. 22. The program, which will begin in mid-January, 2006, is open to youth ages 5 - 15. Cost is \$40 for the first child and \$32 for each additional child in the same family.

For more information, call Steve Wambach at 533-8168 or 533-3205.



## Fort Huachuca Directorate of Morale, Welfare & Recreation

The Directorate of Morale, Welfare & Recreation is responsible for content appearing on the MWR page in The Fort Huachuca Scout. Questions about this section should be directed to MWR Marketing Director, Paula Gorman at 533-4036 or send an e-mail to paula.gorman@huachuca.army.mil or visit me on the Web at gnmhuachuca.com



# The Scout TimeOut



## Movies

In Her Shoes plays at 7 p.m. Friday at Cochise Theater. For the complete listing of this week's movies, see Page B6.

## Model railroad club

## Shares expertise, parts, track



*The layout is put together with great detail, and includes over eight hundred feet of track. Members can operate up to eight trains simultaneously.*

BY ROB MARTINEZ  
SCOUT STAFF

Chosise & Western Model Railroad Club is a good outlet for soldiers and civilians.

The organization welcomes all who are interested. "There are people here who have expertise in most of the model railroad scales, primarily for electric railroads from z-scale up to garden gauge," said David Gilcrest, who has been a member for ten years.

Charles Cole, who spent twenty-six years in the Army, and taught counter intelligence Soldiers for sixteen years, built the layout, which includes over eight hundred feet of track, for the club.

"Membership has been up and down," he said. "At one time, we had three members." Presently there are 20 members.

He said they've had several military members, but they eventually get transferred. The club is always on the lookout for new enthusiasts.

Membership is important, but it is not the club's only concern. They are looking for a sponsor to provide a building, according to B. J. Searcy, club treasurer.

"Our clubhouse is too small for us. Now we're full," she said.

The club needs more storage space, and room to work on projects, she said.

Searcy is a retired military police officer, the first female

MP ever stationed at Fort Huachuca.

She used to be on patrol, but now she spends her time working on model trains, and building elaborate and highly detailed model towns for them.

"It's very relaxing. There's camaraderie. It's a good outlet," she said.

She said that members get keys to come "play when they want." There are no set hours, but there is usually someone present on Tuesday nights.

She said, "We could supervise and teach (people and) organizations like the Cub Scouts, youth groups, the Boys and Girls Club. We have a building, trains, workable stuff."

Searcy said that many members donate their extra parts to the club.

Membership dues is \$10 a month for adults, and \$5 for those under eighteen, and \$15 for families.

The layout can be operated using either digital command control or conventional block control. Up to eight people can operate their trains simultaneously. The scenery includes mountains and lowlands, a coal mine, rock quarry, a ghost town, villages, forests, and industrial settings.

For more information visit them on the internet at <http://users.ssvecnet.com/cacole>



*B.J. Searcy, club treasurer, explains the joys, and the few frustrations, that occupy building a model train layout. In front of her is a sign, "Not all girls play with Barbie!"*

Photos by Rob Martinez

### UNITED STATES ARMY NETWORK ENTERPRISE TECHNOLOGY COMMAND/9TH ARMY SIGNAL COMMAND

**THE NETCOM/9TH ASC, ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, G - 8, WILL CLOSE THURSDAY AT 11 A.M. FOR THEIR ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY.**

**THE OFFICE WILL BE MINIMALLY STAFFED DURING THIS TIME.**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL SUSAN THYE AT 533 - 6881.**

## Military Logistic Master Degree program now accepting applications

### SCOUT REPORTS

The Department of Defense is now accepting applications until Jan. 3, 2006 to the Master of Military Logistics Pilot Program at North Dakota State University.

The MML is open to applicants from all career fields and career programs with a target audience of DA civilians, GS 11-13, and Military Officers, Captain to Major.

The MML is centrally funded. Original, hard-

copy applications must be submitted in accordance with the instructions included in the attached document and must be endorsed by the region director.

Negative responses are not required, but ap-

plications received after January 3, 2006 will not be considered, so ensure adequate mailing/FedEx time.

Mail applications to: USA Installation Management Agency, 2450 Stanley Road, Suite 101, ATTN:

Joyce Jacobs, Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-7517.

For more information, view the website at <http://cpol.army.mil/library/train/mml-prog.html>.



# Chalk Talk

## Colonel Johnston Elementary

The Students of the Week for November 14-18 are Adriana Schlegel, Jerome Dingle, Areem Parker, Lee Howden, Victoria Gentili, Keith Reeves, Taylor Benning, Chabris Anthony, Jordan Miller, Autumn Windom, Andrew Sanchez, Destiny Farfan, Rene Reyna, Michael Cromwell, Candice Miller, and Courtney Scales.

Mrs. Schadey's third grade class just finished their study of Native Americans and discovered that the first Thanksgiving was quite different than our current celebration of the holiday. For example, there were more Native Americans present at the feast than there were Pilgrims. Also, the first Thanksgiving lasted many days as opposed to our single-day holiday.

## Holiday Tour of Homes

### SCOUT REPORTS

Tickets are on sale for Fort Huachuca's Annual Holiday Tour of Homes. The tour, sponsored by the Fort Huachuca Community Spouses' Club, will be held from 2-6 p.m. Sunday.

Advance tickets cost \$8 and can be purchased from the MWR Box Office, the Fort Huachuca Museum, the Post Thrift Shop, the Sierra Vista Chamber of Commerce, Safeway and from any FHCSC board member.

Finally, we learned that many of the foods we enjoy on Thanksgiving did not appear at the original feast and that seafood was one of the main dishes. These differences taught us that there is no one right way to celebrate a holiday. As long as you have people to share it with, like the Pilgrims and Indians, you're guaranteed to have a good time.

The children in Mrs. Clemente's, Mrs. Sherwood's, and Mrs. Glow's classes have been studying rocks and volcanoes. The children enjoyed sharing their colorful rock collections with their classmates. They also had a great time watching how a volcano explodes. The classes made and ate Stone Soup and experienced the fun sensation of ooblick. The children were rewarded for their hard work with a certificate and a treat.

Tickets the day of the tour are \$9.

For safety children under 10 are not admitted and the homes are not handicap accessible. Cameras and video equipment are also prohibited. For the past 15 years, the fort has marked the beginning of the holiday season with the Holiday Tour of Historic Homes. The Fort Huachuca "Old Post" area, a national historic landmark, will be lit by the soft glow of luminaries as the public is given a rare glimpse at the interior of these homes.

All proceeds from this event go back into the com-

See **TOUR** Page B7

This week in Mr. Henry's class the students are preparing for Christmas by making Christmas trees out of hand prints and decorating them with lights, glitter, and a star to top the tree. The students are continuing to read, read and read some more but are also learning about the daily calendar, time, money and basic addition and subtraction facts on daily basis. Last week Mr. Henry's class came in second at the walking track with track with a total of 308 laps around the track. The top runners for the year in his class are Wayne Wilridge 160 laps, Jacob Brummond 132 laps, Corey Boatwright 130 laps, Brandi Hout 124 laps, and Laneya Cornelius with 118 laps. Mr. Henry encourages all parents to come out and join us every Friday to walk the track with their children.



Photo by Thom Williams

## Sierra Vista 50th Anniversary



*Countdown: Sierra Vista turns 50 in 27 weeks*

### EDITORIAL COMMENT:

The City of Sierra Vista will celebrate its 50th anniversary, "More than a city—a way of life," May 26-28, 2006. In support of the city's celebration, each month until the celebration weekend, The Fort Huachuca Scout will run one reprinted article from the 1955 and 1956 issues of the "Fort Huachuca Scout," showing what fort life was like 50 years ago. Each week, we'll print one or more highlights of what happened on Fort Huachuca a half century ago.

Sierra Vista was founded in 1956 and annexed Fort Huachuca in 1971. Now, as in the past, the two entities worked together and are involved in many partnerships.

The Fort Huachuca Scout has been in publication for 54 years since 1951. Morgue copies of the "Scout" are available for viewing at the Fort Huachuca Public Affairs Office, Building 21115, 3015 Carnahan Street, across the street from the gazebo at the west end of Brown Parade Field. Call 533-2622 for additional information.

Enjoy reliving Fort Huachuca's past 50 years, and reminisce as we travel back in time. - Joan Vasey

Reprinted from "The Huachuca Scout", December 8, 1955

Post Takes Over Dude Ranch

Special Services Plans Vacation Spot for Fifty EM Weekly on TDY Basis

The target date for the opening of the Fort Huachuca dude ranch has been set at December 14, Special Services announced today.

The resort area, formerly a boys' ranch, is located 17 miles from the Post's West Gate. The ranch, in the planning stage for a year, will benefit enlisted men only. Only single men and those married whose wives are not with them are eligible.

The plan, similar to the rest and recuperation policy at overseas installations, will allow 50 men each week to spend five days TDY to the recreational ranch. The week will not be charged to individual leave time.

Percentage Basis

The number of men allocated from the major groups on post for each weekly cycle will be based on a troop percentage. Individual choices will be up to each company. Cycles begin each Wednesday and continue through Sunday.

Food and lodging will be furnished, as well as many recreational and athletic facilities. Horse-

back riding, tennis, hiking, rifle and skeet ranges, softball and basketball are among the various amusements available. There are also pool tables, ping-pong equipment, books, and a swimming pool for use in season.

Small Cost

The only cost to the individual will be for horseback riding fees and PX supplies. In addition, each man is required to bring his own bedding.

The housing area contains four-man cabins and one-man rooms. An 11-man permanent party has been assigned to service the ranch area. NCOIC will be SFC Cleo Lee, 9470th Det. 1.

The Officers' Field Ration Mess will be in charge of the three meals a day.

A week's vacation from the military is promised by Special Services, with no formations, inspections or duties. The ranch has been leased for a one-year period, which may be renewed if the plan is a success.

Poem

There was a young soldier named Jack  
Who planned his tour over and back,  
"For your information, it's Unit Rotation  
That keeps my hitch on the right track!"

Find out how you can re-up with "Unit Rotation." See your unit commander now!



# Arizona Tourist Holiday Shopping Tours

BY MIKE COLLINS  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Well, it's that time of the year again. Shopping season.

If you are like many people we know, shopping for seasonal gifts has all the appeal of hitting your thumb with a hammer. Repeatedly. The incessant tinkling of bells in front of stores, the body checks through the aisles and circling the mall parking lot for half an hour only ratchets up the tension as we attempt to materially demonstrate our appreciation for friends and loved ones.

Adding to your anxiety is the memory of failed gifts from the past. As you recall, a hazy memory emerges of a forced smile with a 'thank you' uttered between clenched teeth. You are resigned to the fact that the 'Elvis on velvet' painting or the powder blue sweater with the sequined pony given from previous years were probably mistakes. How then do you get something for that special person that is both practical and adequately demonstrates your affection for them?

Relax, because we've got your back. Here are some gift suggestions

that will not only fit your budget but provide a fun outing to nearby communities for truly unique shopping.

Tucson's Fourth Avenue near the University of Arizona is an eclectic collection of odds and ends. Look for antiques, unique gifts, vintage clothing, costumes, custom jewelry, hand made furniture, Mexican imports, and some of Tucson's finest restaurants and best bars, all in a six-block window-shopping sidewalk stroll. Just in time for the season is the Fourth Avenue merchants' semi-annual street fair held December 9, 10, & 11 between Ninth Street and University Blvd. It is free to the public, and brings together 400 arts and crafts booths, 35 food vendors, 4 stages, street musicians, food, jugglers, street performers, kids entertainment, face painting, balloons, and tons of other fun activities, then packs them into three days of celebration. For more information call (520) 624-5004 or visit [www.fourthavenue.org](http://www.fourthavenue.org) on the Web.

Can't find that stuffed buffalo you always wanted. Look no more. Head to Tucson and the nationally famous Tanque Verde swap meet. Hordes of Sam Walton wannabes are eager to

show a wide array of merchandise and will do just about anything to close a sale, including haggling. There is something for everybody at this mammoth event. Even if you decide not to buy nothing, come to people watch. Keep in mind, Tanque Verde is only open Thursday through Sunday. For more information, call (520) 294-4252 or visit [www.tanqueverdeswapmeet.com](http://www.tanqueverdeswapmeet.com) on the Web.

And speaking of people watching, nearby Bisbee attracts some of the Southwest's most talented artists and free-spirited art lovers. Specializing in the offbeat and unusual, you can find a wide array of items from rainbow-colored bird feeders to beer-tab sequined Birkenstocks at the turn of the century stores. This dedicated group of artisans and shop keepers are committed to offering some of the most unique creations to be found anywhere. For more information, call (520) 432-5421 or visit [www.bisbeearizona.com](http://www.bisbeearizona.com) on the Web.

Just up the road a piece is the quintessential Old West town of Tombstone. Reproductions of frontier paraphernalia such as holsters, hats and corsets, along with genuine antiques are available at many of the shops. Pose for a period style photo while you are there. Don't

be alarmed when you hear gun fire because Marshall Earp and the boys take a dim view of shoplifters and cattle rustling. For more information, call 1-888-457-3929 or visit [www.tombstoneweb.com](http://www.tombstoneweb.com) on the Web.

Tubac is one of Arizona's oldest settlements and was established as a frontier outpost for the Spaniards as they colonized the region. Working artists' studios now surround the grounds that once served as the home for a Spanish military garrison. Tubac's shops encompass the gamut of Southwest shopping opportunities from imports Mexico and to Native American jewelry. A special treat is the 35th annual Tumacacori Fiesta that is free to the public and will be held Saturday and Sunday at Tumacacori National Historical Park. The two-day event will feature Indian, Mexican, and Southwest food, and crafts, plus free entertainment featuring local dance and music groups. There will also be puppet shows, piñatas and hands on native crafts for children as well as living history, paper flowers, Mexican pottery, O'odham basket weaving, rawhide braiding, and blacksmithing demonstrations. For more information, call (520) 398-2704 or visit [www.tubacaz.com](http://www.tubacaz.com).

## Ask The Dietitian Weighing In On Holiday Cheer

BY CPT JENNIFER L RODRIGUEZ  
REGISTERED DIETITIAN

Thanksgiving has come and gone, but more holiday cheer is on the way. Each year we embark upon a journey of exercise and eating right just to find our plan is sabotaged by great food and festivities from holiday extravaganzas. Weight gain is a big concern for most people during the holidays. It is often the one thing that can put a damper on our celebrations. A study by the National Institutes of Health indicates Americans gain on average one pound over the holiday season. One pound over the course of several years can lead to signifi-

cant health problems down the road. It is possible to enjoy the holidays without stressing over the dreaded pounds on the scale. How do we ensure our hard work throughout the year is safe from the "extras" we encounter? Here are a few morsels (pardon the food pun) to help you get through celebrations this holiday season.

Planning your adventure is half the battle. If you are preparing the holiday meal, why not choose healthy recipes? Be sure to make a grocery list of low fat, low calorie items and stick to it! You can still enjoy traditional foods by substituting those high fat, high calorie items with low fat choices in your favorite recipes. Use low fat milk and

cheese instead of the whole fat varieties, applesauce in place of butter, and even plain, non-fat yogurt can replace sour cream.

The number one "morsel" to prevent unwanted pounds is to fit in activity or exercise whenever possible. Just because the holiday season is here and the weather is not always cooperative doesn't mean that exercise has to cease. Stick to your schedule and work around your exercise routine. Continue your exercise program and include additional activities such as taking the stairs, parking your car further away from the building, raking leaves, and taking walks with the family after dinner. Remember the more active you are, the more calories you burn. A

healthy balance of calories in and calories out will help you maintain your weight.

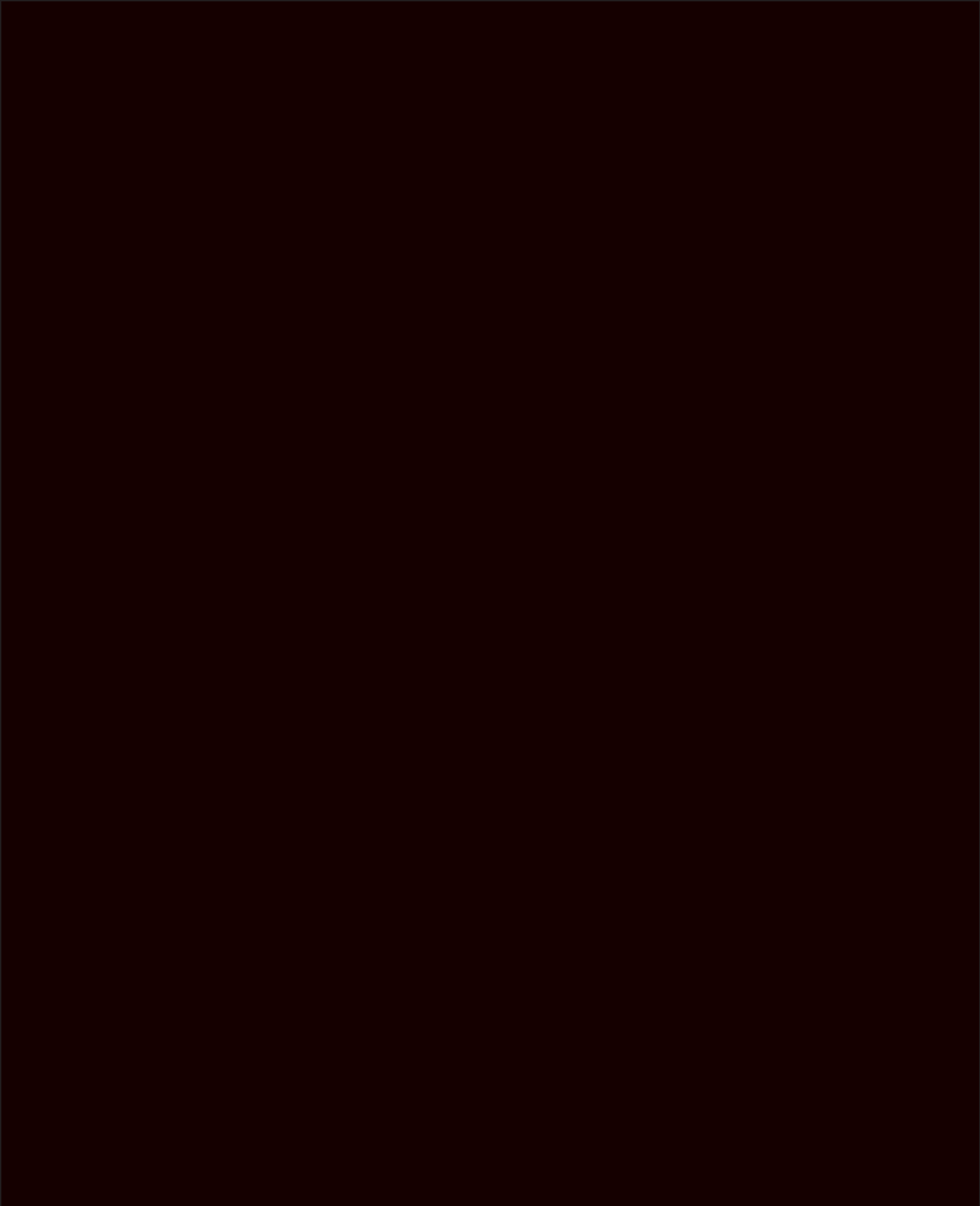
Never go to a holiday party hungry. You are more likely to overdo it at the buffet table if you haven't eaten all day. Be sure to load your plate with healthy vegetables, salads, and fruits first. If you know your dinner meal will be large, eat a lighter breakfast and lunch. Choose high fiber cereals, low fat milk and yogurt to start your day to help you stay fuller longer. Treat yourself, but don't overdo it. Healthy eating does not mean you have to avoid your favorite foods. Enjoy your favorite dessert or holiday dish in smaller portions, instead.

Drink plenty of fluids. Drinking an eight-ounce glass of water before the meal will

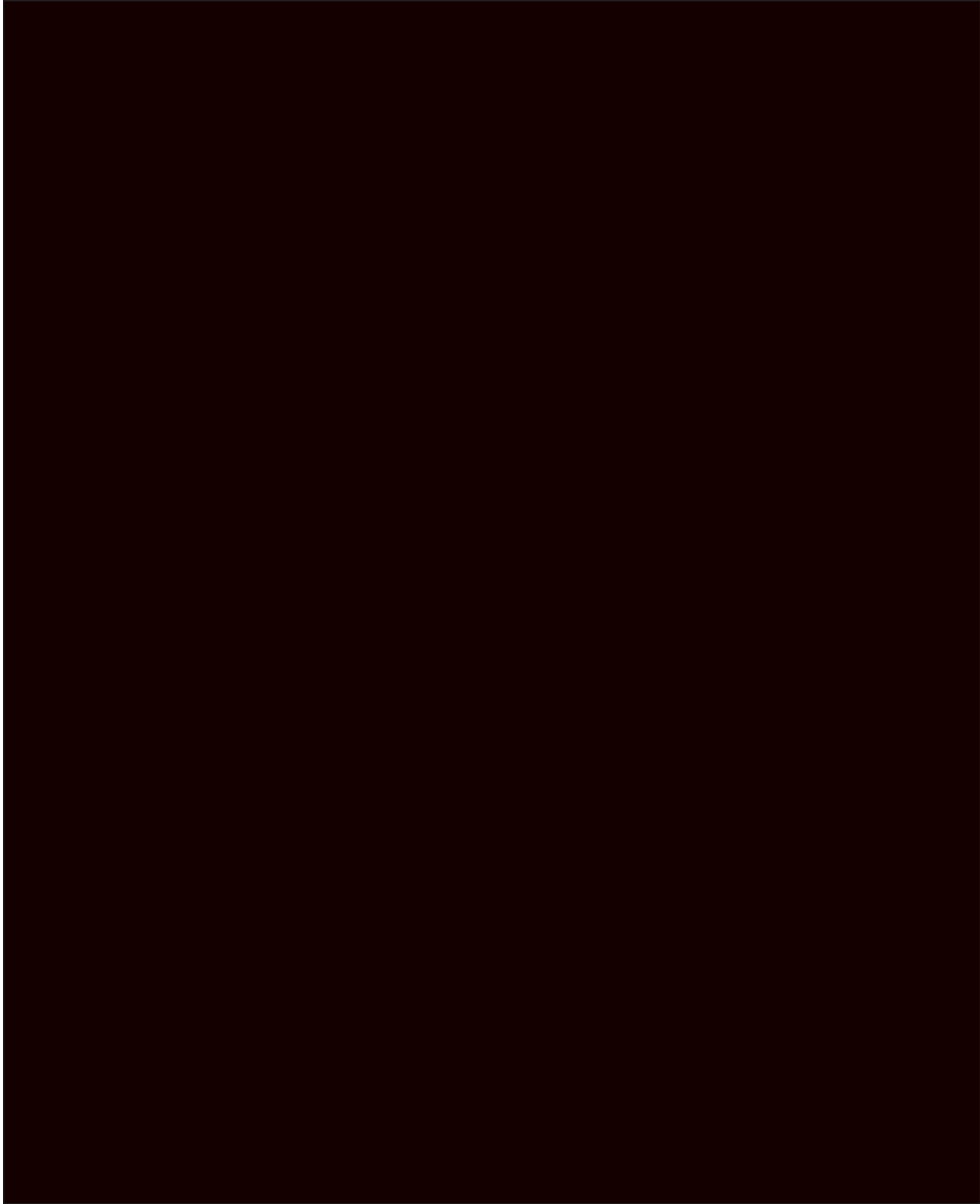
help to curb your appetite and prevent you from overindulging. Watch those high calorie, holiday beverages such as eggnog, alcoholic drinks, and sugary punch. An eight-ounce glass of eggnog made with rum can pack 450 calories!

By planning ahead and making healthy choices now, you can prevent that unwanted holiday gain and start your New Year on the right foot. Weight loss is the number one New Year's resolution. Why not save your resolution for something more fun? Happy Holidays!

CPT Rodriguez is a Registered Dietitian at the Raymond W. Bliss Army Health Center on Fort Huachuca. Send questions to [jennifer.rodriguez1@us.army.mil](mailto:jennifer.rodriguez1@us.army.mil).







## Self-help chain link fences

Effective immediately, the Family Housing Office will issue a limited amount of chain-link fence material to residents on a first-come, first serve basis.

This will be a U-DO-IT project requiring removal of existing fence fabric at one address and reinstallation of fence at the new quarters. Any additional material such as posts, rails, cement or gate will be the responsibility of the resident. Fence installation request forms are available at the Family Housing Office, building 41415.

Digging permits will be required. Upon retrieval of fencing fabric, the material will be added to your hand-receipt.

If you are interested in installing a chain-link fence at your quarters and have the time to spend on this project, please contact Kimberly Lewis, 533-5901.

## AFTB Level I classes offered

Army Family Team Building offers AFTB Level I classes 9 a.m. - noon, every Tuesday, at Murr Community Center, Building 51301. AFTB Level I, also known as "Army 101" provides an introduction to Army life. Each Tuesday, a different block of classes will be offered.

The class is free, but please pre-register with Army Community Service at 533-2330 or Cheryl Patterson at 533-3686, or e-mail [huachuca\\_aftb@hotmail.com](mailto:huachuca_aftb@hotmail.com).

## Holiday Ball

The Commanding General USAIC&FH, wishes to invite you to the 2005 Holiday Ball. Social hour begins at 6 p.m., followed by dinner at 7 p.m. Dec. 9 at the Thunder Mountain Activity Centre. The dress for the event will be Military Dress Uniform/ Black Tie/ Gown. For more information, contact your unit command sergeant major.

## Functional area 30 seeking highly motivated officers

Functional area 30, Information Operations, is seek-

ing highly motivated year group 1997- 2002 officers for expanding IO opportunities in the BCTs, Divisions, Corps and Joint positions. Interested officers in year groups 1998-2001 can request Career Field Designation by completing the online preference form at [https://www.hrc.army.mil/site/active/opfamdd/cfd\\_Upcoming\\_boards.htm](https://www.hrc.army.mil/site/active/opfamdd/cfd_Upcoming_boards.htm) "CFD" or contact the Information Operations Career Management Officer, Major Gregory Mogavero at [gregory.mogavero@us.army.mil](mailto:gregory.mogavero@us.army.mil) or 703-325-5791 for additional information. All interested officers can request redesignation to Information Operations through the HRC Information Operations Career Management Officer.

## In need of leave donations

The following Department of the Army Civilians are on the Leave Donor Program:

Joseph Barnhardt - HQ USAISEC

Lisa Craddock - WCPOC

Pamela Hastings - ACA/ITEC-4

Kenyetta Johnson - NETCOM

Lloyd Johnson - NETCOM, G-2

Patricia Paiz - 305th MI Bn

Ruben Romero - TEC4-W

Roberta Brown-Thurman- NETCOM

For more information about the program or for donating annual leave, contact Schenando Nason at 533-5273.

## Volunteers needed for the 2006 Army Family Action Plan Conference

The conference will be held Jan 23 - 25 at the Thunder Mountain Activity Center. Volunteers are needed in the following areas:

Senior Spouse Representative for the Planning Committee • Better Opportunities for Single Soldier representative for the planning committee • Registration Chairperson • Volunteer Recruitment Chairperson • Hospitality Chairperson • Teen AFAP Chairperson • Facilitators, Recorders, Transcribers, Presentation Managers • Adult

and teen delegates

Your voice can make a difference! If you have a genuine suggestion that could benefit the military community or the whole military quality of life, we need to hear from you. Please take the time to complete an AFAP Issue Sheet and return it to Army Community Service. Issue Sheets can be found throughout units, and online. Updates for the remaining active issues need to be submitted no later than 5 Dec.

The next AFAP Commander's Steering Committee meeting is 13 Dec 05 in the MWR Training Room building # 22214 from 1500-1600.

For more information, contact Cheryl Patterson at 533-3686/2330 or

[cheryl.patterson2@us.army.mil](mailto:cheryl.patterson2@us.army.mil).

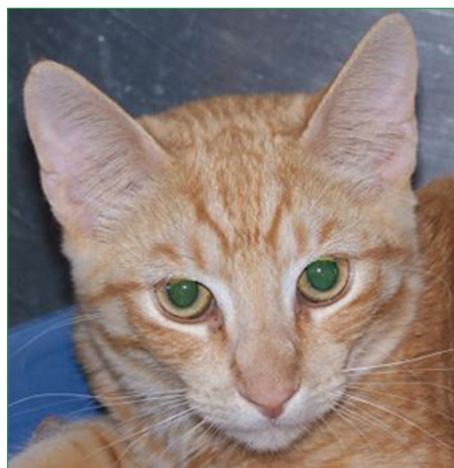
## Holiday parade route closures

This year's Holiday Parade will be held on Saturday, December 3. Road closure will begin at 6 a.m. at the intersection of Fry Boulevard and Buffalo Soldier Trail. Staging for the parade begins at 8 a.m. at this intersection, lining up south along BST. The procession will begin at 10 a.m. moving east down Fry Boulevard, passing the judges at Gallery Furniture, and continuing to Coronado Drive. Fry Boulevard will be closed between these points beginning at approximately 9:45 a.m. through the duration of the parade. Roads will reopen as soon as the parade finishes.

## Community Spouses' Club Luncheon

The Fort Huachuca Community Spouses' Club will have a luncheon on Dec. 14 at Thunder Mountain Activity Center. Due to the holiday's the luncheon will be on the 2nd Wednesday of the month instead of the usual 3rd Wednesday. Social hour begins at 10:30 and lunch is served at 11:30. This month's program features the Rickety Rockettes. For reservations contact Victoria Glynn at 458-2475 or via email at [victoriaglynn@cox.net](mailto:victoriaglynn@cox.net). The deadline for reservations is Dec. 9 at noon.

# Pets Of The Week



*Kitten is a 6-month-old male orange tabby domestic shorthair. Courtesy photo from [petfinder.com](http://petfinder.com).*



*Ginger is a young brown female chow mix. Courtesy photo from [petfinder.com](http://petfinder.com).*

*These animals and more are available for adoption from the Fort Huachuca Veterinary Treatment Facility. For more information, call 533-2767 or visit [forthuachuca.petfinder.com](http://forthuachuca.petfinder.com). In accordance with Army regulation, stray animals are kept for three working days to find an owner. After three days, they are either placed up for adoption or humanely euthanized. Strays are available for adoption for 30 days until they are euthanized.*

## At The Movies

Showing at the Cochise Theater for the next week are:

**AFAPES**

**Today - 7 p.m.**

Domino

PG-13

**Friday - 7 p.m.**

In Her Shoes

PG-13

**Saturday - 7 p.m.**

Elizabethtown

PG-13

**Sunday - 2 p.m.**

The Gospel

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**Monday**

Closed

**Tuesday**

Closed

**Wednesday**

Closed

Reduced prices on Thursday evening and Sunday matinees.

## Watch CAC

For the latest news on the Fort Huachuca community as well as all of your military branches worldwide, the Commander's Access Channel (Channel 97) is your first and most reliable source.

The Scout will notify the community of the return of the Fort Report and until then, keep tuned to the CAC for other pertinent post information.





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Photo by Thom Williams

**Dawn Miller stands in front of an upside down holiday tree in her quarters in the Sherburne House in the historic “Old Post” section of Fort Huachuca. Miller has spent two weeks decorating the quarters in preparation for the 15th Annual Holiday Tour of Homes on Sunday from 2-6 p.m.**

munity through scholarships and disbursements.

The homes on the tour remain as they were constructed more than a hundred years ago. The foundations for these historic houses were laid in 1883, after General William T. Sherman approved the construction of a permanent facility at Fort Huachuca. Each of the featured homes is named after an important individual who was instrumental in the development and planning of Fort Huachuca and the Army. Homes included on this year’s tour are Carleton House, Cruse House, Carr House, Crook House, Pershing House, Winans House, Macomb House, Sanford House, Morrow House, and three historical duplexes.

The 36th Army Band and other musicians add to the festive atmosphere with music and carols.

B Troop, 4th U.S. Cavalry (Memorial) Soldiers outfitted in period dress add to the ambiance and will be posted at the entrance of every house on the tour. Young Soldiers, Airmen and Marines will be on hand in each home to help guide tour participants.

For more information call 520-515-8497



Photo by Thom Williams

**A ginger bread village awaits visitors to the Miller quarters in the Sherburne House during the Holiday Tour of Homes on Sunday. The Sherburne House is named after Thomas L. Sherburne who commanded Fort Huachuca from July 1930 to November 1931. To add to the ambiance of the tour, Soldiers from B-Troop will be posted at the entrance to every house on the tour.**

**ACS Holiday Food Voucher Program**

The Army Community Service is sponsoring the 2005 December Holiday Voucher Program for Fort Huachuca military service members and their families. Nominations will be accepted to assist families of junior enlisted personnel grades E1-E4 who are experiencing financial difficulties due

to a recent financial emergency. Company Commanders may nominate Soldiers of other ranks if circumstances warrant. Application deadline is Dec.13. Applications can be picked up at the Army Community Service Building 50010. For more information, contact Pamela Allen at 533-2330/5919.

